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**THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST--27 SEPTEMBER 1963**

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**1. HONDURAS:**

**A.**  **MILITARY LEADERS**

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**3. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:**

**A. MILITARY LEADERS AND RIGHTIST POLITICIANS HAGGLED NEARLY TWENTY-FOUR HOURS BEFORE SETTLING ON THE NEW THREE-MAN PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT. FURTHER MANEUVERING FOR CABINET POSTS IS LIKELY.**

**B. THE THREE CIVILIANS COMPRISING THE TRIUMVIRATE ARE CONSIDERED HONEST AND REASONABLY COMPETENT BUT AMBASSADOR MARTIN STYLES THE CONTENDING PARTIES BEHIND THE SCENES AS LARGELY DISCREDITED AND IRRESPONSIBLE.**

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**4. BRAZIL:**

**A. THE POLITICAL TEMPERATURE IS UP AGAIN.**

**B. FAR LEFT LABOR LEADERS ARE THREATENING A GENERAL STRIKE IF GOULART DOES NOT IMMEDIATELY ADOPT A RADICAL REFORM PROGRAM. GOULART, IN HIS USUAL DEVIOUS WAY, MAY BE COOPERATING IN THE AGITATION WHILE MOVING TO HEAD OFF THE STRIKE.**

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C. THIS AFFAIR HAS GOTTEN TANGLED WITH A LEFTIST EFFORT TO PRESSURE GOULART INTO FIRING GENERAL BEVILACQUA, THE STRONGLY ANTI-COMMUNIST ARMY COMMANDER IN SAO PAULO. MOST OF THE MILITARY HAVE LINED UP BEHIND BEVILACQUA, FACING GOULART WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF OVERTHROW IF HE GIVES IN TO THE LEFT.

D. WE SUSPECT GOULART WILL REPRIMAND BEVILACQUA, BUT NOT REMOVE HIM.

5. NOTES:

A. SYRIA: WE EXPECT A CABINET SHAKE-UP SOON WITH PRIME MINISTER BITAR GIVING WAY TO A PROTEGE OF ARMY STRONGMAN, GENERAL HAFIZ. BITAR'S MORE MODERATE FACTION OF THE BAATH PARTY HAS BEEN LOSING STRENGTH TO THE GROUP FAVORING A HARDER LINE AGAINST NASIR. A SIMILAR STRUGGLE IS UNDER WAY AMONG IRAQI BAATHISTS.

B. CONGO: TRIBAL DISORDERS HAVE BROKEN OUT IN THE NEWLY CREATED PROVINCE OF LUALABA IN WESTERN KATANGA, FOLLOWING THE ELECTION OF THE FIRST GOVERNMENT THERE.

C. INDONESIA: THE EVACUATION OF THE INDONESIAN EMBASSY IN LONDON [REDACTED] MAY HAVE ONLY BEEN THE REMOVAL OF SENSITIVE MATERIAL.

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